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Global Commitment Register

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FINAL

Inpatient Prospective Payment System

Policy Summary:

The Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) is changing its reimbursement methodologies for the Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS). DVHA will increase the IPPS base rate paid to border teaching hospitals to align with the IPPS base rate paid to in-state teaching hospitals, and will continue to align the IPPS base rate for these facilities in future rate updates. DVHA will also increase the Rehabilitation Add-On Payment for border teaching hospitals to align with in-state teaching hospitals. The IPPS base rate for teaching hospitals is \$8,390 and the Rehabilitation Add-On Payment is \$300 per diem.

This change was done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved State Plan.

Effective Date:

January 1, 2018

Authority/Legal Basis:

[Global Commitment to Health Waiver](#): Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #28.

Population Affected:

All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated annualized fiscal impact is \$7,968,325.

Public Comment Period:

The public comment period ended 10/13/17. No comments were received.

Additional Information:

The following State Plan pages were amended:

- Attachment 4.19-B pages 1c-7 and 1c-10

The Medicaid State Plan will be updated with the above amended pages on 1/1/18 when these changes take effect. The draft amended pages can be viewed on the [GCR Proposed Policies page](#) under GCR 17-082.

Click here for the [State Plan](#) on the DVHA website.